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Wisconsin School of Professional Psychology

About WSPP

The Wisconsin School of Professional Psychology is the only private, non-profit Masters and Doctoral program in clinical psychology in Wisconsin. WSPP is accredited by both the North Central Association-Higher Learning Commission of Colleges and by the American Psychological Association. WSPP is listed as a Designated School by the Joint Designation Committee of the National Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology and by the Association of the State and Provincial Psychology Boards.

Directions:

Take I-43. Exit at College Ave. Go east, turning right on Howell Ave. MATC is at the southwest corner of College Ave and South Howell Avenue. The entrance to the parking lot is off of **S. Howell** (not College). When you turn right into the campus entrance, keep left and follow the road to Student Parking Lot B, or turn right and follow the road to Student Parking Lot C. Building A is in front of the parking lot. To avoid getting a ticket, park in Student Lot B or C. There is no charge for parking. The workshop will be held in Building A, just inside entrance #13, Lecture Hall A, Room A241.

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Present

Clinical Needs of LGBTQ+

**Friday
March 20, 2020**

featuring

**Alison Cerezo, Ph.D.
Kim Skerven, Ph.D.
Lucas Marabito, M.S.
Michael Amil, Ph.D.**

MATC Oak Creek Campus
6665 South Howell Ave
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Clinical Needs of LGBTQ+
Friday, March 20, 2020 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Audience: Psychologists, students, mental health professionals
Intermediate Instructional Level

Dr. Alison Cerezo is an Assistant Professor in the Counseling, Clinical and School Psychology combined doctoral program at the University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB). She is also the director of the Social and Health Equity Lab (S.H.E.) at UCSB, carrying out research that examines the links between stigma, discrimination, mental health and alcohol-health disparities in diverse LGBTQ+ communities. She has published over 25 works, earning early career awards from Divisions 44 and 45 of the American Psychological Association and the National Latinx Psychological Association. Dr. Cerezo edited a special issue on LGBTQ+ research in the *Journal of Latinx Psychology*--a journal of the American Psychological Association. It was the first-ever peer-reviewed collection of LGBTQ+ Latinx research. She is also a licensed psychologist in the state of California and a member of the Los Angeles County Lesbian, Bisexual & Queer Women's Health Collaborative.

Dr. Kim Skerven is a Licensed Psychologist and a DBT-Linehan Board of Certification, Certified DBT Clinician. She has worked extensively with clinical issues such as suicidality and self-harm behaviors. Another area of clinical focus for Dr. Skerven is working with sexual and gender minorities, including the competent use of evidence-based psychotherapies with this population. She has published in this area, as well, specifically in contextualizing DBT to address self-stigma and other issues related to minority stress for LGBTQ+ clients.

Lucas Marabito is a current graduate student in the Marquette University clinical psychology PhD program. His research focuses on understanding how minority stress in LGBTQ populations contributes to higher rates of mental health disorders and, more specifically, higher rates of substance use. He is also interested in applying knowledge about how minority stress impacts substance use to build tailored clinical interventions. Clinically, Lucas enjoys working with clients that have severe emotional and behavioral dysregulation, as well as clients struggling with identity concerns and LGBTQ clients more broadly.

Dr. Michael Amil received their doctorate in clinical psychology, with a special emphasis in military clinical psychology from Adler University. Dr. Amil currently serves as the LGBTQ+ Psychology Fellow at the Milwaukee VA Medical Center. Their training has largely focused on addressing psychological wellness within a medical context, including primary care settings and specialty clinics addressing polytrauma injuries and complex health co-morbidities. Their clinical and practical interests encompass the nuances of decolonizing psychotherapy, a liberation focused perspective that emphasizes healing over curing and calls attention to the power and strengths of marginalized voices outside of Eurocentric perspectives.

Educational Objectives:

At the completion of this workshop, participants will be able to:

- Describe the important developmental process of sexual and gender minorities (SGM) that includes identity formation, the roles of family, peers and religious community.
- Describe intersectionality theory, particularly the ways SGM identity intersects with gender, race and ethnicity to create important life experiences linked to social and behavioral health of SGM.
- Identify risk factors for suicidality and self-harm behaviors for LGBTQ+ clients.
- Describe how minority stress theory relates to these risk factors.
- Explain how minority stress theory can be used to generate theoretically-grounded intervention strategies for LGBTQ+ clients at risk for suicide and/or self-harm.
- Identify VA's policies, practices, and resources for treating LGBTQ+ veterans .

Schedule:

8:30-9:00	Registration & Continental Breakfast
9:00-9:15	Opening Remarks
9:15-10:45	LGBTQ Authenticity & Resilience: Promoting a Culture of Psychological Well Being <i>Dr. Alison Cerezo</i>
10:45-11:00	Break
11:00-12:30	Working with LGBTQ+ People: Suicide and Self-Harm <i>Dr. Kim Skerven & Lucas Marabito</i>
12:30-1:00	Lunch (provided)
1:00-2:30	LGBTQ+ Clinical Care in a VA Healthcare System <i>Michael Amil, Psy.D.</i>
2:30-2:45	Break
2:45-3:45	Panel Discussion
3:45-4:00	Conclusion and Evaluation

Continuing Education Credit:

WSPP is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. WSPP maintains responsibility for the program and its contents. This program earns 6 CE credits for those who complete the program in its entirety. There is no conflict of interest or commercial support for this program.

Register and Pay Online at:

<https://www.wspp.edu/events>

OR Complete the following registration form:

Fee includes continental breakfast, lunch, and materials. Payment and registration must be received by March 15th. Your check will serve as receipt. Confirmation of registration will be sent via email. Please **PRINT** all information below.

Space is limited to 80 participants

_____ \$15	WSPP, MATC & All Other Students
_____ \$50	WSPP & MATC Faculty; WSPP Alums
_____ \$75	Professionals

(Please make check payable to WSPP)

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